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Status							
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on	Responsive to communication(s) filed on						
,_	This action is FINAL. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.						
•	Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.						
Disposition of Claims							
4) ⊠ Claim(s) 1-39 is/are pending in the application 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdra 5) □ Claim(s) is/are allowed. 6) □ Claim(s) is/are rejected. 7) □ Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) ⊠ Claim(s) 1-39 are subject to restriction and/or	awn from consideration.						
Application Papers							
9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examin	er.						
,	☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a)☐ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.						
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Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119							
a) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority document 2. Certified copies of the priority document 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority document application from the International Bureat* See the attached detailed Office action for a list	nts have been received. Its have been received in Applicationity documents have been received in the control of	on No ed in this National Stage					
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DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restriction

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- Claims 1-16, drawn to a process of preparing, classified in class 546, subclass
 273.7.
- II. Claims 17-29, drawn to a process of a preparing, classified in class 546, subclass 272.7.
- III. Claim 30, drawn to a process of preparing, classified in class 546, subclass 268.1.
- IV. Claims 31-39, drawn to compounds, classified in class 546. 273.4.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

These distinct inventions have acquired separate status in the art, will support separate patents, and will require different fields of search for the respective inventions. Accordingly, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is considered proper; 35 U.S.C. 121; 37 CFR 1.141; 37 CFR 1.142.

Inventions I-III and IV are related as process of making and product made. The inventions are distinct if either or both of the following can be shown: (1) that the process as claimed can be used to make other and materially different product or (2) that the product as claimed can be made by another and materially different process (MPEP § 806.05(f)). In the instant case, the products as claimed can be made by materially different processes as evidenced by applicants' own claims and specification.

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Inventions I-III are drawn to patentably distinct processes. Groups I -III are restricted out in separate Groups, as they are really multiple processes of preparing the same compounds. MPEP 806.05(f) provides for restricting out such process claim where it can be established that more than one process of preparing the compounds can be employed to do so. Claims 1-30 are evidence claims that more than one different process may produce the instant compounds. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art because of their recognized divergent subject matter, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

In, <u>In re Weber</u>, 198 USPQ 332, <u>In re Hengehold</u>, 169 USPQ 473, was noted for the proposition that as long as applicants have maintained the right (as they do here) to file the non-elected subject matter in divisional applications, then restriction is proper, as to that point.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

This restriction requirement is being written as previous experience has indicated that with Foreign applicants and the inherent time delays, applicants' representative is better able to make an informed, correct, election of the invention applicants would wish to have prosecuted here if applicants are given the opportunity to see the restriction requirement laid out, and given the time to make an informed decision.

Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the

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application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a request under 37 CFR

1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Patricia L. Morris whose telephone number is (571) 272-0688.

The examiner can normally be reached on Mondays through Fridays.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is

assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Primary Examiner

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